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Contact: Public Information Office 305.470.5349

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SR 112 Ramp Widening Begins February 12

MIAMI -- In February 2004, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will begin a widening project on the State Road (SR) 112 eastbound exit ramp at North Miami Avenue. Several related improvements and modifications along North Miami Avenue and NW 37th Street have been included in this project to improve traffic circulation, ease congestion and improve safety in the project area.

Work will begin February 12, last approximately four (4) months and cost an estimated \$1.8 million. The work will be done in phases to minimize impacts to local residents, businesses and the motoring public. This project includes: shoulder widening on eastbound SR 112 as it approaches the eastbound North Miami Avenue exit ramp; adding an additional lane to the exit ramp to create a left-turn lane at North Miami Avenue; installing new traffic signals on North Miami Avenue; and resurfacing and re-striping the roadway.

In order to maximize safety at the exit ramp during and after construction, **NW** 37th **Street will be closed permanently at North Miami Avenue.** This closure will prohibit vehicles from getting onto North Miami Avenue from NW 37th Street.

Throughout construction, workers will strive to minimize impacts to commuters, residents and businesses. However, there will be times when the eastbound North Miami Avenue exit ramp will be closed to traffic to facilitate construction. All project-related lane and ramp closures will be scheduled to occur during non-peak travel times and weekends.

For more information about the SR 112/North Miami Avenue Widening Project, please contact Aymee Ruiz in the FDOT District Six Public Information Office at 305.470.5349, or contact the project Public Information Manager, Tish Burgher at 305.499.2391.



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Metrorail Bridges Reconstruction Begun

Contact: Public Information Office

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Miami - On Monday, February 2nd, 2004, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) began the demolition and reconstruction of the two Metrorail bridges over SR 25 (Okeechobee Road). This project will impact traffic on Okeechobee Road in the vicinity of the two Metrorail bridges near West 20th Street.

Construction is expected to continue through 2006. Project personnel will implement a maintenance of traffic (MOT) plan to preserve access to local businesses and neighborhoods and facilitate traffic flow along this busy public road.

Road closures will only take place at night. Commuters are advised to seek alternate routes. Any and all traffic detours will be clearly marked.

In conjunction with the MOT plan, commuters who use our "Call 511" before you drive program will also be kept abreast of county-wide traffic conditions and construction information, 24 hours a day. As a reminder, this automated service is a free call from any landline or most cellular phones and is available in English and in Spanish.

Questions or concerns about this FDOT project should be addressed to this project's spokesperson, Ivan A. Castro at (305) 823-0403.



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STATE ROAD LANE CLOSURES

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Miami-Dade County

State Road 9 (NW 27 Avenue)

One northbound lane on NW 27 Avenue at NW 90 Street will be closed from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, February 7, 2004. Crews will be replacing an overhead sign panel.

State Road 9A (Interstate 95)

One northbound lane on Interstate 95 near NW 95 Street will be closed from 8:00AM to 3:30 PM, February 8, 2004. Crews will be replacing an overhead sign.

One southbound lane on Interstate 95 at NW 53 Street will be closed nightly, from 9:30 PM to 5:00 AM, February 10, 2004 through February 29, 2004. Crews will be performing drainage work.

One southbound lane on Interstate 95 near SW 25 Road will be closed from 9:00AM to 11:00 AM, February 7, 2004. Crews will be replacing a sign panel.

State Road 25 (Okeechobee Road)

One eastbound lane on Okeechobee Road near Le Jeune Road will be closed daily, from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, February 7, 2004 and February 8, 2004. Crews will be performing work related to the flyover.

State Road 112 (41 Street/Interstate 195)

One eastbound lane and one westbound lane on 41 Street near Chase Avenue in Miami Beach will be closed nightly, from 9:00 PM to 5:00 AM, February 8, 2004 through March 12, 2004. Crews will be performing general roadwork.

State Road 909 (West Dixie Highway)

One northbound lane at 16101 West Dixie Highway will be closed weekdays, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, February 9, 2004 through February 20, 2004. Crews will be replacing sidewalk.

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State Road 934 (Hialeah Expressway/NW 79 Street)

One eastbound lane on NW 79 Street from NW 12 Court to NW 13 Court will be closed weekdays, from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM, February 9, 2004 through February 23, 2004. Crews will be installing a driveway.

The westbound lanes on the Hialeah Expressway from NW 72 Avenue to NW 74 Avenue will be closed weeknights, from 8:30 PM to 6:00 AM, February 5, 2004 through February 19, 2004. A detour will be in effect. Crews will be performing drainage work.

State Road 953 (Le Jeune Road)

One southbound lane on Le Jeune Road between Royal Poinciana Boulevard and Okeechobee Road will be closed daily, from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, February 7, 2004 and February 8, 2004. Crews will be performing work related to the flyover.

One southbound lane on Le Jeune Road between Park Drive and Okeechobee Road will be closed nightly, from 8:00 PM to 6:00 AM, February 13, 2004 through February 16, 2004. Crews will be performing general roadwork.

Two northbound lanes and two southbound lanes on Le Jeune Road at NW 14 Street will be closed weeknights, from 9:00 PM to 5:30 AM, February 7, 2004 through March 1, 2004. Crews will be performing general roadwork.

State Road 973 (SW 87 Avenue)

One northbound lane at 5005 SW 87 Avenue will be closed weekdays, from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM, February 9, 2004 through February 20, 2004. BellSouth crews will be performing utility work.

The northbound lanes on SW 87 Avenue at the 7400 block will continue to be closed nightly, from 9:00 PM to 6:00 AM, through February 8, 2004. Traffic will continue to be diverted to one northbound lane and one southbound lane on the west side of SW 87 Avenue. Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department crews are performing general roadwork.

State Road 986 (SW 72 Street)

One eastbound lane and one westbound lane on SW 72 Street between SW 65 Avenue and SW 67 Avenue will be closed weekdays, from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM, February 9, 2004 through February 28, 2004. Crews will be dredging the Ludlam Glades Canal.

State Road A1A (Collins Avenue)

One northbound lane on Collins Avenue near 93 Street will be closed from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, February 7, 2004. Crews will be performing work on the overhead sign structure.

One northbound lane and one westbound lane at the intersection of Collins Avenue and 5 Street will continue to be closed weekdays, from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM, through April 1, 2004. Crews are performing general roadwork.

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NW South River Drive

NW South River Drive near NW 74 Avenue will be closed from 7:00 AM, February 7, 2004 to 6:00 PM, February 8, 2004. Crews will be demolishing the overpass.

Monroe County

State Road 5 (Overseas Highway)

One northbound lane or one southbound lane on the Overseas Highway over the C-111 Canal (approximately mile marker 117) will be closed nightly, from 9:30 PM to 5:30 AM, February 9, 2004 through February 13, 2004. Crews will be replacing the expansion joint on the bridge. A flagging crew will be on-site to direct traffic.

One northbound lane or one southbound lane on the Overseas Highway from mile marker 73 to mile marker 73.7 will be closed nightly, from 8:00 PM to 6:00 AM, February 8, 2004 and February 9, 2004. Crews will be performing general roadwork. A flagging crew will be on-site to direct traffic.

The southbound lanes on the Overseas Highway from mile marker 88 to mile marker 90 will be shifted weekdays, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, February 10, 2004 through February 19, 2004. Crews will be performing general roadwork.

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